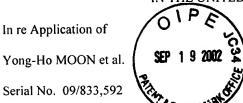
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

[ X ] No additional fee is required.

] Small entity status of this application has been established .

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

] Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	17	20	0	x \$ 18 =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	4	3	1	x \$ 80 =	\$80.00
		If multiple claims newly presented, add \$260.00  Fee for extension of time			
				TOTAL FEE DUE	\$80.00

[X] A check in the amount of \$80.00 is attached

[ X ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1337, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1,1%.

Respectfully bmitted,

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